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Election of nine members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Note by the Secretary-General

1. By its resolution 1985/17, the Economic and Social Council decided to establish a Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights to undertake functions relating to the implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and to assist the Council in fulfilling its responsibilities under the Covenant.

2. In accordance with that resolution, the Council, on 3 May 2000, elected from a list of persons nominated by States parties to the Covenant, nine experts as members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2001 and ending on 31 December 2004. The current membership of the Committee is given in annex I to the present note.

3. In 2004, the Council is to elect nine members of the Committee for a four-year term, beginning on 1 January 2005. The terms of the following members expire on 31 December 2004: Rocío Barahona Riera (Costa Rica), Dumitru Ceausu (Romania), Abdessatar Grissa (Tunisia), Giorgio Malinverni (Switzerland), Sergei N. Martynov (Belarus), Ariranga Govindasamy Pillay (Mauritius), Kenneth Osborne Rattray (Jamaica), Waleed M. Sa'di (Jordan) and Philippe Texier (France).

4. In a note verbale dated 29 November 2003, the Secretary-General invited States parties to the Covenant to submit their nominations for membership in the Committee. The names of the persons nominated as at 1 March 2004 are set out below, together with the States parties that nominated them.

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Name	*Proposed by*
Mohamed Ezzeldin **Abdel-Moneim**	Egypt
Rocío **Barahona Riera***	Costa Rica
Amie N. D. **Bensouda**	Gambia
Dumitru **Ceausu***	Romania
Haroun Ali **Eltayeb**	Sudan
Giorgio **Malinverni***	Switzerland
Sergei N. **Martynov***	Belarus
Ariranga Govindasamy **Pillay***	Mauritius
Andrzej **Rzeplinski**	Poland
Waleed M. **Sa'di***	Jordan
Philippe **Texier***	France
Shen Yongxiang	China

* Nominated for re-election.

5. Biographical information on the persons nominated is contained in annex II.

6. As at 1 April 2004, there were 149 States parties to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. The number of States parties by regional group are listed below, together with the number of seats to be allocated to each region in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/17, subparagraph (b):

Regional group	*States parties at 1 March 2004*	*Seats allocated*
African States	46	4
Asian States	28	4
Eastern European States	22	3
Latin American and Caribbean States	26	3
Western European and other States	27	4
Total	**149**	**18**

7. Accordingly, the number of vacancies in each geographical region to be filled by the Council in 2004 is as follows:

Regional group	*Number of vacancies*
African States	2
Asian States	2
Eastern European States	2
Latin American and Caribbean States	1
Western European and other States	2
Total	**9**

Annex I

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
(18 members; four-year term)

Membership in 2004

	Term expires on 31 December
Clement **Atangana** (Cameroon)	2006
Rocío **Barahona Riera** (Costa Rica)*	2004
Virginia **Bonoan-Dandan** (Philippines)	2006
Maria Virginia **Bras Gomes** (Portugal)	2006
Dumitru **Ceausu** (Romania)*	2004
Abdessatar **Grissa** (Tunisia)*	2004
Chokila **Iyer** (India)	2006
Azzouz Kerdoun (Algeria)	2006
Yuri **Kolosov** (Russian Federation)	2006
Giorgio **Malinverni** (Switzerland)*	2004
Jaime Alberto **Marchan Romero** (Ecuador)	2006
Sergei N. **Martynov** (Belarus)*	2004
Ariranga Govindasamy **Pillay** (Mauritius)*	2004
Kenneth Osborne **Rattray** (Jamaica)*	2004
Eibe **Riedel** (Germany)	2006
Waleed M. **Sa'di** (Jordan)*	2004
Philippe **Texier** (France)*	2004
Alvaro **Tirado Mejia** (Colombia)	2006

* Retiring member.

Annex II

Biographical information on candidates for election to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights[a]

Mohamed Ezzeldin Abdel-Moneim (Egypt)

Place of birth: Port Said, Egypt

Working languages: Arabic, English, French

Current position/function

Professor of International Law and International Organizations at Suez Canal University

Chairman of the Consultative Committee on Human Rights

Assistant Foreign Minister for Multilateral Affairs

Main professional activities

Member of the Board of Directors of the Centre of Political Studies, Cairo University

Member of the Board of Directors of the Centre of Future Studies, Suez Canal University

Directing relations with the United Nations, specialized agencies, the Organization of the Islamic Conference, the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries in areas including human rights and humanitarian affairs, and with non-governmental organizations

Contributing to research plans at research centres on matters related to public policy

Teaching post-graduate courses of international law and international organizations

Educational background

Ph.D. political science, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University, 1966

Other activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

National Committee work on reviewing the application of international instruments on human rights and humanitarian law, related aspects of jurisprudence and territorial jurisprudence, 1990-25 February 2004

Research on recent developments on human rights, civil society institutions and United Nations competency

Drafting of chapters on human rights in non-aligned summits and ministerial meetings, 1991-2003

[a] The complete curriculum vitae of each candidate may be consulted in the files of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Head of delegation to the Organization of the Islamic Conference Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 1993-2003; expert group meeting on human rights, 1993; minorities, 1994-2002

Convention on International Terrorism, 1998, and the Standing Committee on Economic Cooperation, 1995-2003

Member of the delegation to the General Assembly sessions, 1995-2003; and the Economic and Social Council session, 2003

Member of the delegation to the United Nations interregional consultations on social welfare policies, 1989

Economic attaché at the General Department of Economic Research, 1966

List of most recent publications in the field

"Current international thinking and United Nations practice on economic sanctions", South African Institute of International Affairs, Johannesburg

"Effect of Suez Canal traffic variation on socio-economic conditions", Centre for Future Studies, Suez Canal University

"The concept of equity in decision-making of international organs", The Hague Academy on International Law

"The lessons from the experience of the National Commission for International Humanitarian Law", speech at the meeting of international human law commissions in Arab States, "Areas of action for the South in the twenty-first century", lecture published by the South African Institute for International Affairs, Johannesburg; several related articles in daily newspapers and periodicals (list available at the secretariat)

Rocío Barahona Riera (Costa Rica)

Nationality: Costa Rican

University degrees

Bachelor's degree in political science, University of Costa Rica, 1978

Master's degree in law, University of Barcelona, 1982

Advanced graduate study

Graduate courses in international law, University of Costa Rica, 1986

Doctorate in international law, Universities of Perugia and Rome, 1988-1990

Doctoral courses in political science towards a doctorate in Latin American studies, Arcis University, Chile, 1997

Other diplomas and courses

Diploma in criminology, Complutense University, Madrid, 1979

Diploma from the School of Juridical Practices, University of Zaragoza, 1983

Course on transfer of technology and patents, World Industrial Property Organization, Moscow, 1985

Internship in Argentina, Chile and Peru in industrial property and transfer of technology, 1985

Interdisciplinary human rights course, Inter-American Institute of Human Rights, Costa Rica

Course on globalization, markets and technology in contemporary societies, United Nations Office at Vienna, 1997

Course on gender, education and politics in the countries of the European Community, United Nations Office at Vienna, 1997

Professional experience

Project coordinator, Family Guidance Centre, 1975-1976

Research director, United Nations Latin American Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, 1976

Coordinator, Fund for Technological Development and International Affairs, National Council for Scientific and Technological Research, 1984-1986

Diplomatic activities

Consul in Moscow, 1978

Minister Counsellor, Chargé d'affaires a.i., Rome, 1992-1993

Consul-General, Milan, 1993-1995

Academic activities

Professor of research methods; theory of the State; public international law, University of Costa Rica

Researcher, Centre for the Study of International Law, National Research Council, Rome, 1988-1991

Visiting professor, University of Chile, 1998-2000

Visiting professor, Simon Bolivar University, Quito, 2000-2003

Consultancies

External Legislative Assembly consultant on the Constituent Treaty of the Central American Parliament and other political forums

Adviser on crisis and modernization of political parties in Latin America

Consultant to the Centre for the Study of International Law, Rome, 1995-1998

Consultant on economic integration systems in the Andean countries, United Nations Industrial Development Organization, 1996-1997

Publications

The Central American Parliament, Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences, 1987

Economic Integration Systems in the Andean Countries, Quito

"Negotiating formulas for the resolution of conflicts in international law in Latin America"

Commentaries and contributions to newspapers *El Financiero*, *La Nación*, *Rumbo*, *La República*

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Member, Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 2001-present

Amie N. D. Bensouda (Gambia)

Place of birth: Base, The Gambia

Working language: English (fluent), French (working knowledge)

Current position/function

Head of law firm Amie Bensouda and Company

Legal practitioner (barrister, advocate and solicitor)

Consultant on legislative drafting, governance, public regulation, human rights and privatization of public enterprises

Main professional activities

Advocate before the courts of The Gambia. Consultant (worked for the Government of Gambia on the development of a national governance programme, European Development Fund on decentralization of local government structures, Commonwealth Secretariat, the United Nations Development Programme and several private organizations). I undertook pro bono work on human rights cases, legal services (pro bono) to Women's Finance Association and Gambia Chamber of Commerce.

Educational background

Bachelor of Law (LL.B.), University of Lagos, Nigeria (1980), Barrister-at-Law, Nigeria Law School (1981), Legislative Drafting, Kenya School of Law, (Commonwealth Secretariat Funded Programme — 1982), Legislative Drafting (Royal Institute for Public Administration, United Kingdom — 1984), Privatization and Public Enterprise Reform (International Development Law Organization, Rome, Italy and International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., 1991), human rights training by the African Centre for Democracy and Human Rights, Banjul, The Gambia.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Member of The Gambia Bar Association (human rights coalition in defence of a group of lawyers addressing human rights violations), Gambia Women's Finance Association (a non-governmental organization whose main objective is to provide women access to credit and raise their living standards), Soroptimist International (women's organization whose main objective is to improving the legal and economic status of women and children).

Most recent publications in the field:

"The Law and Media Establishments in The Gambia"

"Women and The Gambia Constitution"

Dumitru Ceausu (Romania)

Corbu-Olt, Romania

University education

1956-1960	Faculty of Law, University of Bucharest
1966-1969	Institute of Advanced International Studies, Geneva

Diplomas

1971	Doctorate in Political Science, University of Geneva

Professional experience

1960-1966	Assistant, then Third Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Romania
1969-1972	Second Secretary, then First Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1972-1977	First Secretary, then Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Romania to the United Nations
1978-1981	Counsellor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1981-1985	Counsellor, Embassy of Romania in Bonn
1985-1990	Counsellor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1990-1992	Deputy Director, Legal, Treaties and Human Rights Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1992-1993	Minister Counsellor, Chargé d'affaires a.i., Embassy of Romania in Oslo
1994-1996	Director, Legal Affairs and Treaty Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1996	Minister Counsellor, Embassy of Romania in Paris
1997	Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1997-2001	Ambassador of Romania to France

International meetings and conferences

1972-1977	Alternate member of the Romanian delegation to the General Assembly of the United Nations
1976-1977	Alternate representative of Romania to the United Nations Security Council
1978-1983	Member of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights/Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities

1993-2004 Member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, established pursuant to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. Vice-Chairman, 1994-2000; Rapporteur, 2003-2004.

Publications

- *Le règlement pacifique des différends internationaux à travers des procédures d'entente directe*
- Articles in Romanian journals on subjects such as the law of the sea, the definition of aggression, the principles of international law and human rights
- *Exercices de liberté*, a collection of articles in the Romanian press, 1997

Foreign languages

English, French and German

Haroun Ali Eltayeb (Sudan)

Place of birth: Ahgazaira, the Sudan

Working languages: Arabic and English

Current position/function

A lawyer in Khartoum running a private law firm for more than 15 years and legal consultant for different national and international organizations

Educational background

Studied law at Khartoum University faculty of law and was awarded Bachelor of laws degree on 25 October 1986 and a post graduate diploma in law from the same University on 22 June 1995. Attended different seminars on human rights issues in the Sudan and in England

Main professional activities

Deputy director of the Committee of the Eradication of the Abduction of Women and Children, member of the Advisory Council for Human Rights in the Sudan representing the Bar Union

Chairman of the Complaints Committee of the Advisory Council. The Committee receives urgent appeals and individual complaints and conducts necessary investigations referred to it and submits its findings and recommendations to the Advisory Council for Human Rights. In this capacity I organized and participated in different seminars in awareness raising, education of human rights, capacity-building and administration of justice.

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Held the post of Deputy Director of the Committee of the Eradication of the Abduction of Women and Children, a committee which was established to honour the commitment of the Sudan to the resolution of the Commission on Human Rights adopted at its fifty-fifth session in 1999, in order to investigate reports of the abduction of women and children and cases thereof and to bring to trial any person suspected of supporting or participating in such activities and facilitate the safe return of abductees to their families as a matter of priority.

In this regard, the Committee of the Eradication of the Abduction of Women and Children has achieved tremendous success in eradicating abductions. More than 3,500 abductees have been found, documented and reunited with their families. However, the plan of action of the Committee of the Eradication of the Abduction of Women and Children for 2004 is to find and document the remaining abductees within this year.

Most recent publications in the field

Paper on the Convention on the Rights of the Child seminar on human rights education organized by a non-governmental organization for police officers in Khartoum in the Arabic language on 15 January 2003. A paper on recent developments in the human rights situation in the Sudan. This was presented in English at a conference organized by the society of Mediterranean Lawyers held at Cairo from 27 to 30 December 2003.

Giorgio Malinverni (Switzerland)

Swiss national

Diplomas

Licence in Law, University of Fribourg (Switzerland), 1965.

Doctorat from the Institut universitaire de hautes études internationales, Geneva, 1974

Current position

Full professor of constitutional law and international human rights law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Geneva

Other activities

Swiss representative to the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission — Council of Europe), Vice-Chairman from 1995 to 1997

Swiss expert on the roster of experts on the human dimension mechanism of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe

International adviser to the Constitutional Court of Croatia (1997-1999)

Prior academic positions

Visiting professor at the Faculty of Law, University of Geneva (1980-1982)

Visiting professor, Faculty of Law, University of Lausanne (1982 and 1989)

Visiting professor, Faculty of Law and Economics, University of Neuchâtel (1990-1991)

Head, Department of Constitutional Law, University of Geneva (1983-1989 and 1995-1998)

Chairman, Public Law Section (Assistant Dean), University of Geneva (1989-1993)

Visiting professor, University of Nice (1994)

Visiting professor, University of Paris II (Panthéon-Assas) (1994)

Visiting professor, University of Strasbourg (2000)

Presented papers at the first (Belgrade 1983) and second (Paris, Aix-en-Provence, 1987) World Congresses of the International Association of Constitutional Law

Presented papers at the Munich (1987) and Belgrade (1989) Congresses of the International Association of Legal Sciences

Prior professional activities

Jurist with the International Committee of the Red Cross (1971-1973)

Member of the International Committee of the Red Cross delegation to the Conference of Government Experts and the Diplomatic Conference (Geneva, 1974-1977), on international humanitarian law applicable in armed conflicts (1972-1977)

Memberships

Member of the International Association of Constitutional Law and of its Executive Committee

Member of the Swiss Society of International Law

Member of the Swiss Bar Association

Member of the Geneva Society of Law and Legislation

Member of the Editorial Board of the Swiss International and European Law Review

Member of the Scientific Committee of the Quarterly Review of Human Rights

International activities

Statement to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on general observations on article 13 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (November 1999)

Member of missions to China by Swiss human rights experts (December 1991 and July 1994)

Member of a Swiss delegation studying the causes of violence in South Africa (April 1992)

Participant in the International Congresses on Human Rights Teaching, Information and Documentation of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Vienna, 1978; and Malta, 1987)

Swiss expert at the Seminar of Experts on Democratic Institutions of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki, 1991)

Chairman of the United Nations group of experts to address the issue of the political status of Abkhazia, Georgia (1993 and 1994)

Publications

Le règlement des différends dans les organisations internationales économiques Leiden, Sijthoff, Geneva, Institut universitaire des hautes études internationales, 1974, 251 pp.

La liberté de réunion, Geneva, Georg, 1981, 206 pp.

La Suisse et les Pactes des Nations Unies relatifs aux droits de l'homme (in collaboration with W. Kälin and M. Nowak), Basel, Helbing and Lichtenhann, 2nd ed., 1997, 713 pp.

L'indépendence de la Suisse dans un monde interdépendant, report presented to the Swiss Bar Association, Swiss Law Review, Reports and Communications, Basel, 1998, 137 pp.

Droit constitutionnel suisse (in collaboration with Andreas Auer and Michel Hottelier) vol. 1, (L'Etat), 799 pp., vol. 2 (*Les droits fondamentaux*), 738 pp., Bern, Stampfli, 2000.

About one hundred articles on constitutional law and international human rights law.

Sergei N. Martynov (Belarus)

Nationality: Belarus

Languages: Belarusian (mother tongue), Russian, English, French, Swahili

Working languages: English, Russian, French

Current position

Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Belarus since March 2003

Member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights since 2001

Main professional activities

1975-1980	Department of International Economic Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (International Labour Organization, European Economic Commission)
1980-1988	Assistant to the Minister of Foreign Affairs
1988-1991	Deputy Head, Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (responsible for political, social and economic issues)
1991-1992	Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Belarus to the United Nations, New York (responsible for political, social and economic issues)
1992-1993	Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Belarus to the United States of America
1993-1997	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Belarus to the United States of America
1997-2000	First Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Belarus (bilateral and multilateral political affairs, social and economic issues)
2001-2003	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Belarus to the Kingdom of Belgium, Head of the Mission of the Republic of Belarus to the European Communities, Head of the Mission of the Republic of Belarus to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization
Since March 2003	Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Belarus

Education

1970-1975	Moscow State Institute of International Relations, summa cum laude

Professional experience

1991-1997	Vice-Chairman of the First Committee of the General Assembly, Chairman of Nuclear Disarmament Group of the United Nations Disarmament Commission (three times), Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur of the United Nations Disarmament Commission (several times)
1991	Vice-President of the Amendment Conference of the States Parties to the (1963) Treaty Banning Nuclear Tests in the Atmosphere in Outer Space and Under Water
1998	Chairman of the United Nations Disarmament Commission
2000	President of the Conference on Disarmament, Geneva

List of most recent publications in the field

"The EU and Belarus: Time for a Fresh Start", "*The EU and Belarus. Between Moscow and Brussels*" (article in the book published in the United Kingdom by Federal Trust, whose aim is to enlighten public debate on the issues of national, continental and global government), 2002 — pp. 303-316

"Economic Reform for Creating an Independent State", "*Nikkan Kogyo Shimbun*" (Japanese weekly business newspaper), 4 September 2003

"In Step with Time. Or Better One Step Ahead", "*Delo 'East+West'*" (Belarusian international analytical bulletin), No. 6, 2003

"Belarus and its Relations with the USA and EU (Belarus und seine Beziehungen zu den USA und der EU)" "*Wostok. Informationen aus dem Osten für den Westen*" (German magazine for business and government circles), No. 3, 2003

The above-mentioned publications touched upon the problems of realization of social and economic rights of the people living in the Commonwealth of Independent States area.

Public statements in the field

Statements in November 2000 and February 2001 at two non-governmental organization conferences at Iserlon, Germany, dedicated to international education and humanitarian assistance issues

Statement in February 2002 at the New Policies towards Belarus conference in Bruehl, Germany, in the capacity of the Board of Trustees member of the Minsk International Education Centre

Several statements before the European Parliament Delegation for Relations with Ukraine, Moldova and Belarus, the last made in February 2003 on the socio-economic consequences of the European Union new neighbourhood initiative for Belarusian citizens

Ariranga Govindasamy Pillay (Mauritius)

Residence: Ollier Avenue, Rose-Hill, Mauritius

Languages

English and French (spoken)

Education

1957-1964	Royal College, Port Louis, Mauritius
1966-1969	London School of Economics, United Kingdom
1969-1971	Merton College, United Kingdom
1972	Lincoln's Inn, United Kingdom

Academic and professional qualification

1969	BSc Economics (Hons.)
1979	BA (Hons.) in jurisprudence
1972	Barrister at Law of Lincoln's Inn, United Kingdom

Scholarship and fellowship

1966	State scholarship awarded under the laureate scheme to pursue tertiary education in the United Kingdom
1974	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization fellowship on copyright
1976	World Intellectual Property Organization fellowship on patents and trademarks
1979	United Nations/United Nations Institute for Training and Research fellowship in International Law
1981	United Nations human rights fellowship (constitutional law and human rights)
1982	Fellowship on trademarks awarded by the Government of Australia
1985	United Nations fellowship for participation in an international law seminar
1994	Fellowship awarded by the Government of the United States of America for research study on Minority Rights and the American Judicial System

Professional activities (appointment in Mauritius)

1972-1987	Legal Adviser at the Attorney-General's Office and Ministry of Justice, successively as Crown Counsel, Senior Crown Counsel, Principal Crown Counsel, Assistant Solicitor-General and Parliamentary Counsel

1987-1996	Puisne Judge and acting Senior Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Mauritius
1994-1996	Chairman of the Council of Legal Education of Mauritius
1995-1996	Member of the Judicial and Legal Service Commission of Mauritius
May 1996 to date	Chief Justice of Mauritius Chairman of the Judicial and Legal Service Commission of Mauritius
2002	Honorary Professor of the University of Mauritius

Appointments/work in the international fields

Negotiated bilateral air services and loan agreements on behalf of the State of Mauritius

Represented Mauritius at international forums in various fields, such as human rights, intellectual property and international law matters

Drafted human rights reports on behalf of Mauritius for the Human Rights Committee and for the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Chaired most international competitions on human rights

Member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1997 to date)

Appointed Adviser to the Governing Council of the African Centre for Democracy and Human Rights Studies (1998 to date)

Member of the Court of Appeals of Seychelles (1999 to date)

Honorary Fellow of the Society for Advanced Legal Studies, United Kingdom (2000)

Honorary Bencher of Lincoln's Inn (November 2001)

Andrzej Rzeplinski (Poland)

Place of birth: Ciechanów, Poland

Working languages

English, Russian

Current position/function

Professor of Law, Dean of the Faculty of Social Applied Sciences and Resocialization, Warsaw University, Poland, and head of the Centre of Human Rights Studies at the Faculty

Member of the Executive Committee of the International Helsinki Federation for Human Rights, Vienna

Member of the Board of the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Warsaw

Main professional activities

1976-1982	Voluntary probation officer
1980-1990	Expert of the NSZZ *Solidarność* Citizen Legislation Programme
1982 to date	Human rights defender
1987-1989	Expert at the United Nations Crime Prevention Branch, Vienna
1989 to date	Lecturer in human rights for human rights defenders, different professions groups (judges, public prosecutors, prison officers, police officers, teachers) in Poland, Commonwealth of Independent States countries, Baltic States, Balkan region States — working on behalf of main human rights groups (International Helsinki Federation, Moscow, Helsinki Group, International Commission of Jurists, Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights), and for the United Nations, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, the Council of Europe. An organizer of 17 monitoring missions in those regions on: freedom to fair trial, right to education, freedom from inhuman treatment in penal and psychiatric facilities
1989 to date	Expert of parliamentary committees, Poland
1990-1991	Adviser on human rights of the Director of Prison Administration
1992-1995	Constitutional Expert of the Office of the President of Poland
1993-1994, 1999	Expert of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Office of Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, Warsaw
1994	Legal adviser to the Polish delegation at the fiftieth session of the Commission on Human Rights, Geneva

1991 to date	Expert of the Directorate of Legal Affairs, Council of Europe, Strasbourg (reform of the judiciary)
1992 to date	Polish Bar, membership
1997 to date	Expert of the Council of Europe Department of Monitoring (a member of a group of experts of the Secretary General on freedom of expression)
1999 to date	Member of the Council of Europe Committee on Bioethics
2001 to date	Legal adviser to the President of the Institute of National Remembrance, Warsaw

Educational background

1971	Graduated from the Law Faculty, Warsaw University
1978	Doctorate from the Institute of State and Law, Polish Academy of Sciences: "Families of Long Term Prisoners, Study at The Social Costs of Crime and Punishment"
1990	Habilitation from the Law Faculty, Warsaw University: "The Judiciary in Communist Poland"
1978	Secondment from the University of Montreal International Centre of Comparative Criminology
1987-1988	Secondment from the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute, Rome
1990	European University Institute in Florence: summer school on human rights and European law

Teaching responsibility

Criminology (1976-1980), criminal justice in Poland (1976-1981), comparative criminal justice (since 1980), comparative criminology (1980-1989), methods of research in criminology and criminal justice (1976-1991), management of correctional institutions (1977-1980), criminal procedure (1989-1991), limits to public power (1995-1998), human rights (since 1990)

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned

Cooperation with foreign research institutions

1988-1993	Max-Planck-Institut für ausländische und internationales Strafrecht, Freiburg Br. (project: "Reforming of Prisons")
1992-1993	Chicago University Law School Center for the Study of Constitutionalism in Eastern Europe (project: "Making Constitution in Poland")
1992-1997	Max-Planck-Institut für europäische Rechtgeschite, Frankfurt a/Men (project: "Law and the Judiciary in Poland 1945-1956")

1996	Max-Planck-Institut für ausländische öffentliches Recht und Völkerrecht, Heidelberg (project: "The Right to the Fair Trial")
1997-1999	Centre for National Security Studies, Washington, D.C. (project: "Security Services in Constitutional Democracy. A Case of 13 New Democracies")
1997-1999	Constitutional and Legal Policy Institute, Budapest (project: "Reforming of the Police")

Research fields

Human rights, Crimes against humanity, Comparative criminal justice, Judiciary, Corrections, Police law, Medicine Law

A drafter and co-drafter of a number of Polish laws which include the Bill of Rights and Freedoms (1993), Law on Rights of National Minorities (1994), Code of Execution of Penalties (1996), Law on the Institute of National Remembrance (1999) and Law on Freedom of Information (2001)

List of most recent publications in the field

More than 180 scientific publications in Polish, English, German, Russian, Albanian, Ukrainian and Dutch

"Security Services in Poland and their Oversight", *Democracy, Law and Security, Internal Security Services in Contemporary Europe*, Jean-Paul Brodeur, Peter Gill, Denis Töllborg (eds.). Aldershot, 2003 Ashgate: pp. 110-140

"The rule of law as a priority in criminal justice reform: building up on experiences in technical cooperation between Europe and Central Asia", *The Application of United Nations Standards and Norms in Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice*, Vienna 2003, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime: pp. 121-125

"Corrupie in Polen; hervorningen en uitdagingen" [co-author]. *Justitiële verkenningen*, 2003 No. 3 pp. 20-28

"Scientific researches in biomedicine and European standards" *Application of Biology in Medicine and the Dignity of Human Being*, Tadeusz Mazurczak (ed.). Warsaw 2003 Wyd. Naukowe PWN: pp. 43-56 (in Polish)

"Um die Durchleuchtung in Polen kommen wir nicht herum" *Anti-Totalitarismus, Eine polnische Debatte*, Pawel Śpiewak (Hg.). Frankfurt am Main 2003 Suhrkamp Verlag: pp. 517-526

Right to education, "Report from monitoring" (Editor of the publication), Warsaw 2003 Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights: 210 pp. (in Polish)

"Jedwabne — Let Us be Silent in the Face of This Crime: Piotr Lipiński Talks with Professor Andrzej Rzepliński. [W:] The Neighbours Respond", *The Controversy over the Jedwabne Massacre in Poland*, Antony Polonsky, Joanna B. Michlic (eds.). Princeton 2004, Princeton Univ. Press: pp. 137-144

Waleed M. Sa'di (Jordan)

Nationality: Jordanian

Education

High school diploma, Friends Boys School (Quaker), Ramallah, Jordan

BA (Economics), Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas

JD (Doctor of Law), University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, Illinois

Scholarship: National Honour Scholarship

Human rights profile

1975-1981	Member of the Commission on Human Rights
1979	Vice-Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights
1980-1981	Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights
1978-1982	Member of the Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities
1979	Vice-Chairman of the Subcommission
1978-1982, 1990-1994	Member of the Human Rights Committee (on civil and political rights)
1996-2000	Member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
1982-1989	Member of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Fund for Victims of Torture
1993	Member of the Jordanian delegation to the Vienna World Conference on Human Rights
	Head of the Jordanian delegation to the Rome United Nations Diplomatic Conference of Plenipotentiaries on the Establishment of an International Criminal Court
	Chairman of the Working Group on Crimes against humanity at the Rome International Criminal Court Conference
1977-1980	Head of the Jordanian delegation to the Diplomatic Conference on the Drafting and Adoption of the two additional protocols to the Geneva Conventions

Other activities

1966-1969	First Secretary at the Jordanian mission to the United Nations
	Counsellor at the Jordanian embassy in Washington, D.C., Moscow, London and Paris
1975-1980	Ambassador to the United Nations and other international organizations in Geneva
1982-1986	Ambassador to Ankara

1988-1989	Chief Editor, *Jordan Times*
1997-1999	Adviser at the Office of the Crown Prince of Jordan
1999-	Columnist and Attorney-at-Law

Publications

The Economic Theory in Islam

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1996-present	Member, Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Philippe Texier (France)

Born: Nimes (Gard)

Professional background and experience

1966-1967	Technical cooperation in Colombia: Technical Cooperation Attaché at the Embassy of France in Bogota; gave a course on the history of political ideas at the Escuela Superior de Administración Pública
1967-1970	Ecole nationale de la magistrature
1970-1971	Examining judge in Chalons-sur-Marne
1971-1972	Deputy to the Procureur de la République in Marseille
1972-1977	Examining judge in Marseille
1979-1983	Examining judge in Paris
1977-1979	Director of the Judicial Division at the Ecole nationale d'administration et de magistrature, Cameroon
1983-1984	Technical Adviser to the Secretary of State for the Family, Population and Immigrant Workers
1984-1985	Vice-President of the Tribunal de grande instance of Paris
1985-1988	President of the Tribunal de grande instance of Melun
1988-1991	President of the Tribunal de grande instance of Evry
1991	Director of the Human Rights Division of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador
1992-1996	Presiding judge at the Cour d'appel of Paris
1996	Adviser to the Cours de cassation (Social division)
1976-1995	Numerous human rights missions in South America, Central America (Independent expert of the United Nations Centre for Human Rights for Haiti, in particular), Africa and Asia, as a consultant of the United Nations Centre for Human Rights or on behalf of non-governmental organizations
1983-1987	Represented the French Government as an expert on the Sessional Working Group of Governmental Experts on the Implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
1987-present	Expert member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights; re-elected for 4 years in 1988, and again in 1992; re-elected in 1996 and 2000
1984-present	Member of the National Advisory Commission to the Prime Minister on Human Rights

Foreign languages

English, Spanish

Shen Yongxiang (China)

Working languages

Chinese, French, English

Positions

2003	Counsellor in the Department of International Organizations and Conferences of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2001-2003	Counsellor in the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva
1998-2001	Director-General of the International Department, Office of the Commissioner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
1991-1998	Second Secretary, First Secretary and Director of the Human Rights Division in the Department of International Organizations and Conferences of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Education

1985-1990	Institute on Peace and Development Law of Nice University, France, JD
	Summer Seminar on Public International Law of Hague International Law Institute, Netherlands
1984-1985	Centre for Foreign Languages Training, Shanghai International Studies University Bordeaux No. 3 University, France
1980-1984	Department of Law of Zhongshan University, Guangzhou, China, Bachelor

Main professional and other activities

Vienna World Conference on Human Rights

World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance, Durban, South Africa

Forty-eighth to fifty-first and fifty-seventh to fifty-ninth sessions of the Human Rights Commission

2002 and 2003 sessions of the working group on communications of the United Nations Human Rights Commission

Sessions of the working group on the draft declaration on the rights of persons belonging to national or ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities of the Commission on Human Rights

Sessions of the working group on the draft declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples of the Commission on Human Rights

Sessions of the working group on the draft optional protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment of the Commission on Human Rights

Sessions of the working group mandated to elaborate a draft legally binding normative instrument for the protection of all persons from enforced disappearance

Sessions of the working group on the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Sessions of the working group on people of African descent of the Commission on Human Rights

Forty-fourth to forty-eighth and fifty-third to fifty-fifth sessions of the Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights

2001 and 2003 substantive sessions of the Economic and Social Council

Sessions of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations of the Economic and Social Council

Sessions of the Compensation Committee of the Security Council

Sessions of the Executive Committee and the Standing Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

2001 and 2002 annual meetings of the International Organization for Migration

Sessions of the consideration of the reports of the People's Republic of China on Implementation of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination

Publications

"The People's Republic of China and International Humanitarian Law"

"Retrait des Etat Membres des Organisations Internationales Universelles", awarded as the best legal essay of the year by the Bar Association of Nice

"Law of International Organizations"

"Protection of the Human Rights of Ethnic Groups in China"